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SUBJECT: CASTEL HAITI EXPLOSION: FBI/JUSTICE TEAM VISIT

REF: STATE 225697, 224694

1. TEAM COMPLETED RAPID BUT THOROUGH FOUR DAY INVESTIGATION AND DEPARTED EARLY OCTOBER 20. WHILE IN PORT-AU-PRINCE TEAM MEMBERS INTERVIEWED GOH INVESTIGATORS LT.COL. ACHILLE, LT.COL. CHARLES AND SERGE CHARLES (WHO HAD RETURNED FROM NEW YORK ON OTHER BUSINESS), PAA LOCAL MANAGER MCINTOSH (WHO HELPED ACHILLE INVESTIGATE MAY AND JUNE AIRPORT EXPLOSIONS), OWNER AND PERTINENT EMPLOYEES OF CASTEL HAITI HOTEL, MAJ. ST. LOUIS (TO WHOM AN EXPLOSIVE DEVICE WAS ADDRESSED LAST MAY), DOCTOR WHO CERTIFIED HARRINGTON'S DEATH, AND LOCAL BUSINESSMAN WHO HAD MET WITH HARRINGTON AND ABRAMS SEPT. 3-4. THEY ALSO STUDIED BLAST SITE AT CASTEL HAITI HOTEL, AS WELL AS DOCUMENTS, HARRINGTON'S LEFT-HAND FINGERPRINTS TAKEN SEPT. 5, PHOTOS TAKEN BY HARRINGTON WHILE IN HAITI, AND OTHER EVIDENCE PROVIDED BY GOH INVESTIGATORS. AFTER TAKING SAMPLES FOR CHEMICAL ANALYSIS, TEAM MEMBER CALFEE DETONATED ESTIMATED 5.75 LBS. DYNAMITE REMAINING FOR MAY AIRPORT AND SEPT. CASTEL HAITI INCIDENTS, WHICH WAS BECOMING SAFETY HAZARD THROUGH DETERIORATION. JONES AND NORTON COMPLETED TEAM ACTIVITIES OCT. 19 BY VISITING CAP HAITIEN FOR INTERVIEWS WITH HOTEL ROI CHRISTOPHE MANAGER AND AMERICAN COUPLE WHO

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SOCIALIZED WITH HARRINGTON AND ABRAMS NIGHT SEPT. 3.

2. TEAM MEMBERS IMPRESSED GOH AND EMBASSY WITH THEIR PROFESSIONAL SKILL, PURPOSEFULNESS, AND TACT. THEIR GOH COUNTERPARTS READILY AGREED TO SACRIFICE THEIR DESSALINES DAY NATIONAL HOLIDAY OCT. 17 TO HELP SPEED INVESTIGATION. GOH PROVIDED ALL ASSISTANCE REQUESTED, INCLUDING TRANSPORTATION TO/FROM CAP HAITIEN. TEAM MEMBERS PAID COURTESY CALLS ON INTERIOR SECRETARY BLANCHET AND JUSTICE SECRETARY JEANTY, WHO BOTH SAID THEY WERE PLEASED BY RESULTS OF VISIT.

3. ENGLISH LANGUAGE VERSION OF HARRINGTON DEATH CERTIFICATE SIGNED BY DR. BONHOMME FOLLOWS BY POUCH FOR FBI.  
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